

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Masamichi NAKASHIBA et al.

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Group Art Unit 3723

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Examiner G. Nguyen

APPARATUS FOR AND METHOD FOR POLISHING WORKPIECE

## SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Further to the Amendment filed September 21, 2001, kindly amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claim 76 as follows:

(Amended) A polishing apparatus according to claim 72, wherein said o

area and said outer circumferential area are formed by chambers formed in said top ring.